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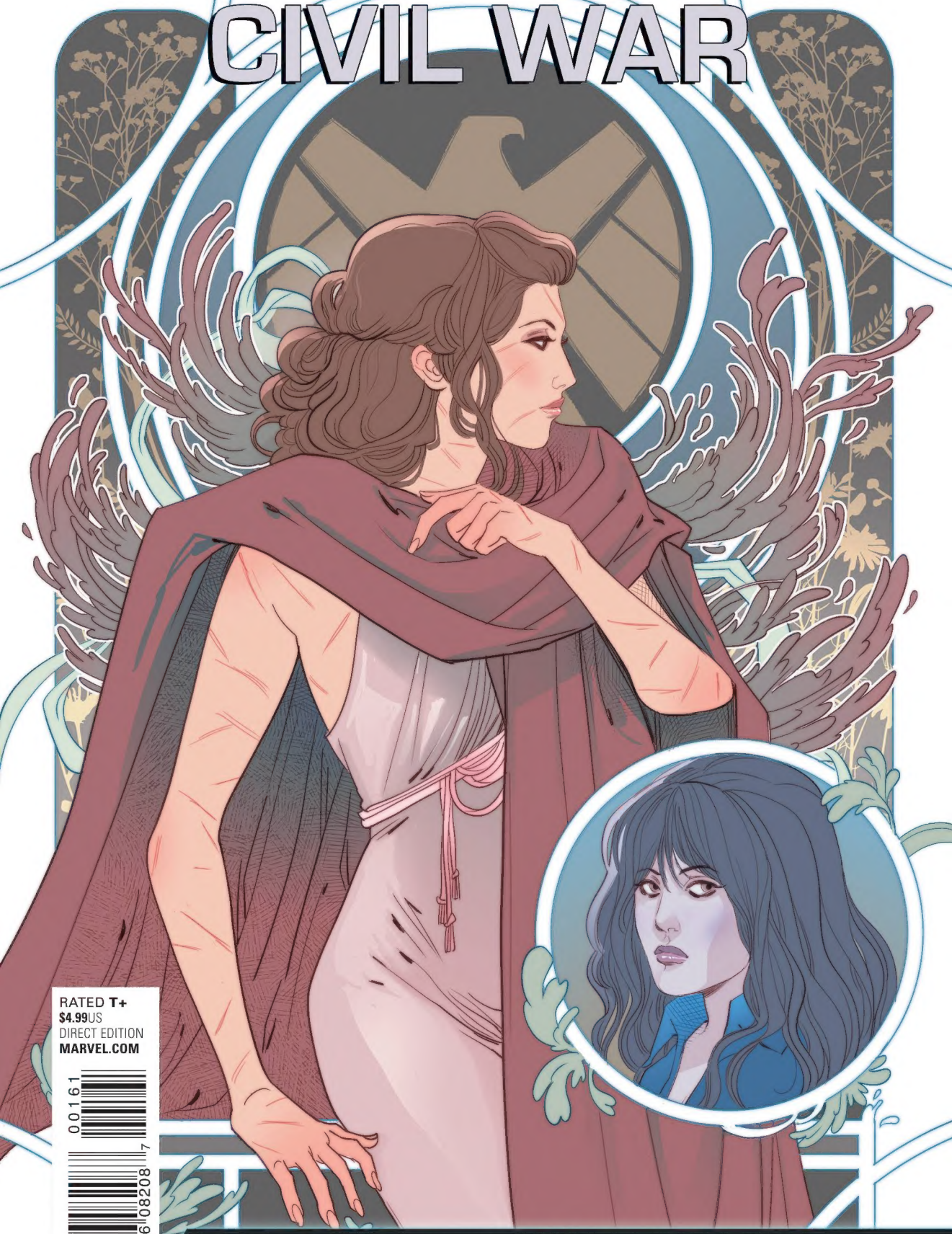

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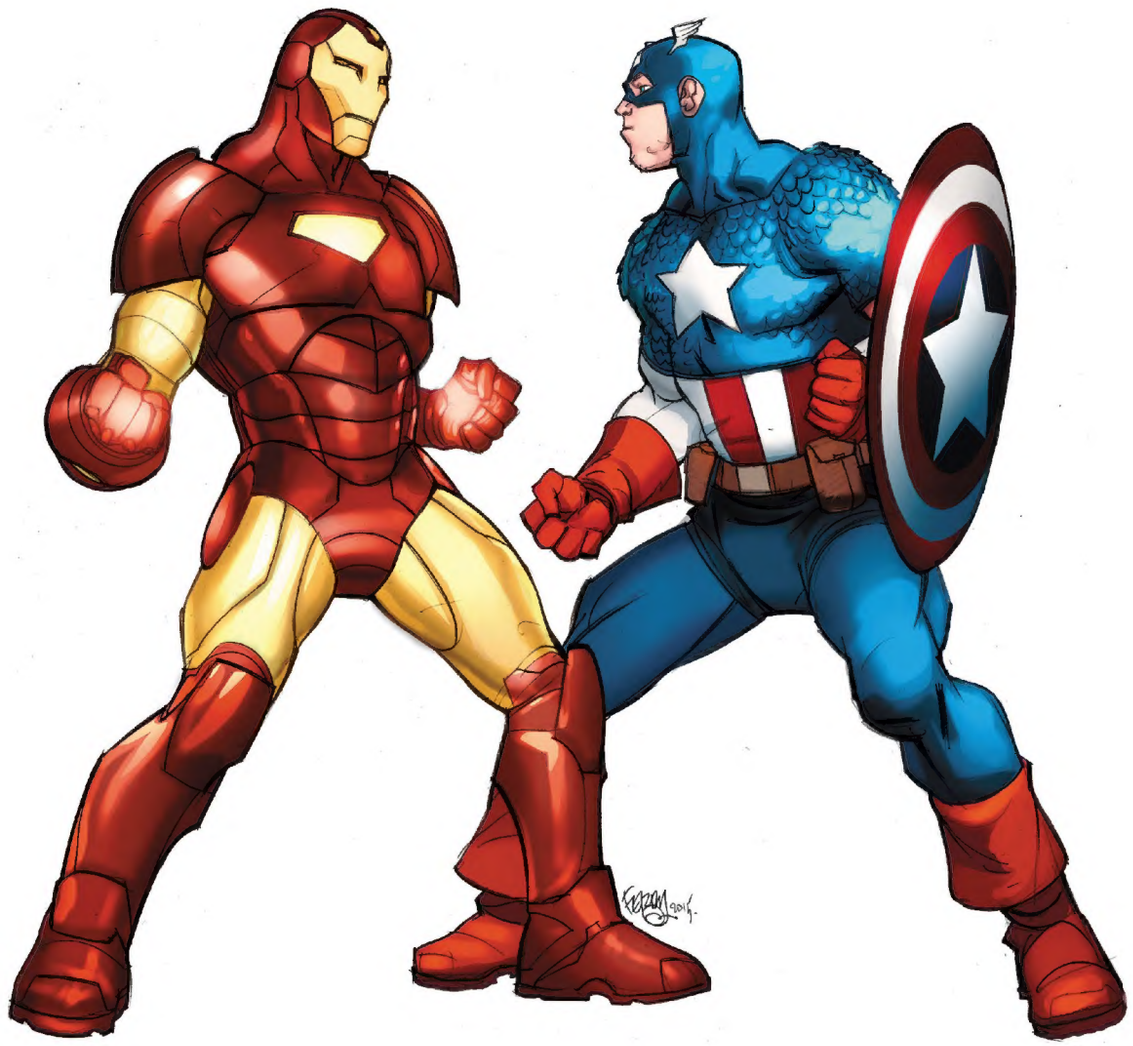

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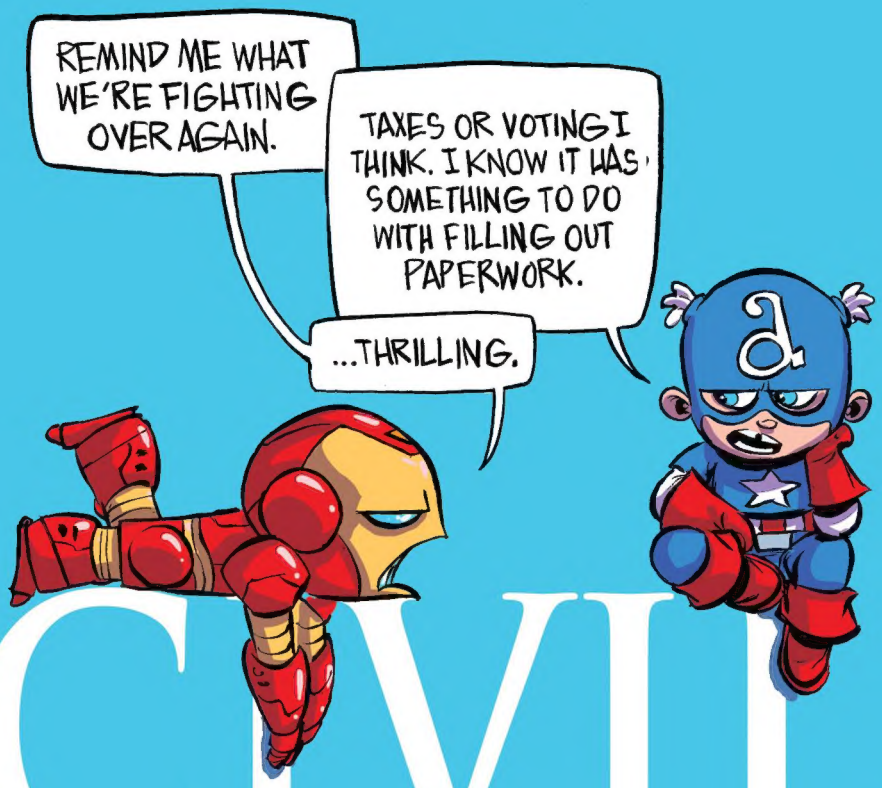
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TAXES OR VOTING I THINK. I KNOW IT HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH FILLING OUT PAPERWORK.
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NOW, ALL THAT REMAINS...IS BATTLEWORLD:

A MASSIVE, PATCHWORK PLANET COMPOSED OF THE FRAGMENTS OF WORLDS THAT NO LONGER EXIST, MAINTAINED BY THE IRON WILL OF ITS GOD AND MASTER, VICTOR VON DOOM!

EACH REGION IS A DOMAIN UNTO ITSELF!

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SIX YEARS AGO.
PROJECT 42:
"I THINK THEY BOTH THOUGHT IT WOULD END THERE.
"THE FINAL BATTLE IN IRON MAN'S HIDDEN PRISON.
AVENGERS ASSEMBLE!
"CAPTAIN AMERICA WOULD SPRING HIS ALLIES FROM THE CELLS, AND STARK WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO RETALIATE.
"OR ONE OF IRON MAN'S COUNTER-MOVES WOULD SUCCEED, AND HIS SIDE WOULD PREVAIL.
"EITHER WAY, REALLY.
"NO WAR LASTS FOREVER.
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"THE WHOLE THING STARTED OVER SOMETHING CALLED THE *SUPERHUMAN REGISTRATION ACT*. ULTIMATELY, IT WAS ABOUT *MASKS*.

"WHO COULD WEAR THEM, WHO COULDN'T--WHO WAS *RESPONSIBLE*. WHO *SHOULD* BE RESPONSIBLE.

"SIX HUNDRED PEOPLE DIED WHEN SOME INEXPERIENCED HEROES TOOK ON A GROUP OF BAD GUYS WHO WERE OUT OF THEIR LEAGUE.

"SIX HUNDRED DEAD. SIXTY WERE *CHILDREN*.

"WHO WAS *RESPONSIBLE?* WHOSE *FAULT* WAS IT?

"THAT'S WHERE IT STARTED. IT ALMOST SEEMS *QUAINT* NOW--EVEN TO *ME*.

"THE NEW LAW--THE *S.H.R.A.*--DREW A LINE IN THE SAND. YOU WANT TO OPERATE AS A SUPER-POWERED PERSON? YOU *REGISTER*. YOU TAKE OFF YOUR MASK. YOU GET *TRAINED*.

"AND THEN, BUT *ONLY* THEN, CAN YOU FIGHT.

"TONY STARK SPEARHEADED THE WHOLE THING, AND I CAN SEE WHY IT APPEALED TO HIM. THE ORDER. THE *SAFETY*.

"BUT NOT EVERYONE AGREED WITH STARK.

"*STEVE ROGERS*, FOR ONE. HE SAW THE S.H.R.A. AS A VIOLATION OF THE INHERENT PRINCIPLES OF LIBERTY UPON WHICH THE NATION WAS FOUNDED.

"IRON MAN'S PEOPLE CALLED IT *REGISTRATION*. CAPTAIN AMERICA CALLED IT *ENLISTMENT*. NO, *CONSCRIPTION*. HE CALLED IT *WRONG*.

"AND SO THE BATTLE BEGAN.

"THEY DID WHATEVER THEY COULD TO WIN. STARK HIRED MERCENARIES--PEOPLE YOU MIGHT EVEN CALL *VILLAINS*. CAP WORKED WITH THE *PUNISHER*. STRANGE ALLIES ON BOTH SIDES.

"PLANS WITHIN PLANS. TRICKS, BETRAYALS, SACRIFICES, EVEN POOR BILL FOSTER'S DEATH. AND THEN...IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE FINAL BATTLE, IN THAT PRISON.

"ONE LAST FIGHT, AND THEN THEY'D FIND A WAY FORWARD--A PATH TO KEEP FIGHTING THE *REAL* VILLAINS.

"I MEAN...THAT'S HOW IT ALWAYS WORKED BEFORE. NO PROBLEM WAS SO BIG THAT IT COULDN'T BE SOLVED BY A BIG PILE OF SUPER HEROES.

"THEY WERE SO *WRONG*.
ARE YOU *IN*, T'CHALLA?
ALMOST, DAGGER. THE PRISON SECURITY SYSTEMS STARK INSTALLED ARE *SOPHISTICATED*, BUT I SHOULD BE ABLE TO OPEN A PORTAL TO GET US ALL OUT OF HERE, IF I CAN JUST--
DEAR GOD.
WHAT? WHAT IS IT?
IRON MAN RIGGED THE ENTIRE PRISON WITH A SELF-DESTRUCT. HE JUST ACTIVATED THE SYSTEM! HE MUST HAVE A WAY OUT FOR *HIS PEOPLE*...BUT HE'S GOING TO DESTROY THIS PRISON WITH CAP AND THE REST OF US *IN IT*.
GO, DAGGER--*NOW!* GET TO *CLOAK*. HE CAN TELEPORT EVERYONE OUT.
BUT WHAT ABOUT *YOU*?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME. I'LL BUY YOU ALL AS MUCH TIME AS I CAN.
GOODBYE, DAGGER.

STARK! PROBLEM!
LITTLE BUSY, COMMANDER HILL. MAYBE YOU COULD JUST HANDLE I--
SHUT UP, TONY. LISTEN.
T'CHALLA HACKED INTO THE PRISON'S SECURITY SYSTEMS. HE ACTIVATED THE SELF-DESTRUCT AND LOCKED US OUT.
WE TRIED TO STOP HIM, BUT...
HE'S TOO GOOD. WE CAN'T GET NEAR HIM. THERE'S NO TIME. THE WHOLE PLACE IS ABOUT TO GO. I JUST... THOUGHT YOU SHOULD KNOW.
BUT...BUT WHY? WHY WOULD THE BLACK PANTHER DO THAT?
HE SAID...
...HE SAID HE DID IT ON CAPTAIN AMERICA'S ORDERS.
SON OF A--
EVERYONE! GO TO CLOAK! RUN! NOW!
STEVE, YOU BASTARD! HOW COULD Y--

"CLOAK TOOK EVERYONE HE COULD. IT DIDN'T MATTER WHICH SIDE THEY WERE ON.

"HE TRIED TO SAVE THEM ALL.

"AFTER ALL, THAT'S WHAT HEROES DO.

ALL THE FLIERS, GRAB A--

"HE TRIED TO CLOSE THE PORTAL BACK TO THE PRISON AS QUICKLY AS HE COULD.

"HE WASN'T QUICK ENOUGH.

"CLOAK.

"MAC GARGAN.

"TIGRA.

"T'CHALLA.

"MATT MURDOCK.

"DOC SAMSON.

"JANET VAN DYNE.

"AND FIFTEEN MILLION OTHER PEOPLE.

"EVERYTHING TURNED VERY *DARK* AFTER THAT.

"IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE EITHER CAPTAIN AMERICA *OR* IRON MAN WAS IN CONTROL.

"I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS GUILT, OR *RAGE*, OR JUST A DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO *DO* SOMETHING, TO *SOLVE THE PROBLEM*, BUT THE FIGHTING DIDN'T END.

"OLD ENEMIES TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE CHAOS TO STRIKE, SEEDING ADDITIONAL MISTRUST INTO AN ALREADY *DEEPLY* MISTRUSTFUL SITUATION.

"THEN THERE WAS THE OSBORN COUP.

"THE *FAILED* OSBORN COUP.

"AND THROUGH IT ALL, *BOTH* SIDES CLAIMED THEY WERE ATTEMPTING TO BRING THE PERPETRATORS OF THE DESTRUCTION IN THE HEARTLAND TO JUSTICE. BUT HOW COULD THAT BE TRUE?

"SOMEONE HAD TO BE THE *GOOD GUY*, AND SOMEONE HAD TO BE THE *BAD GUY*.

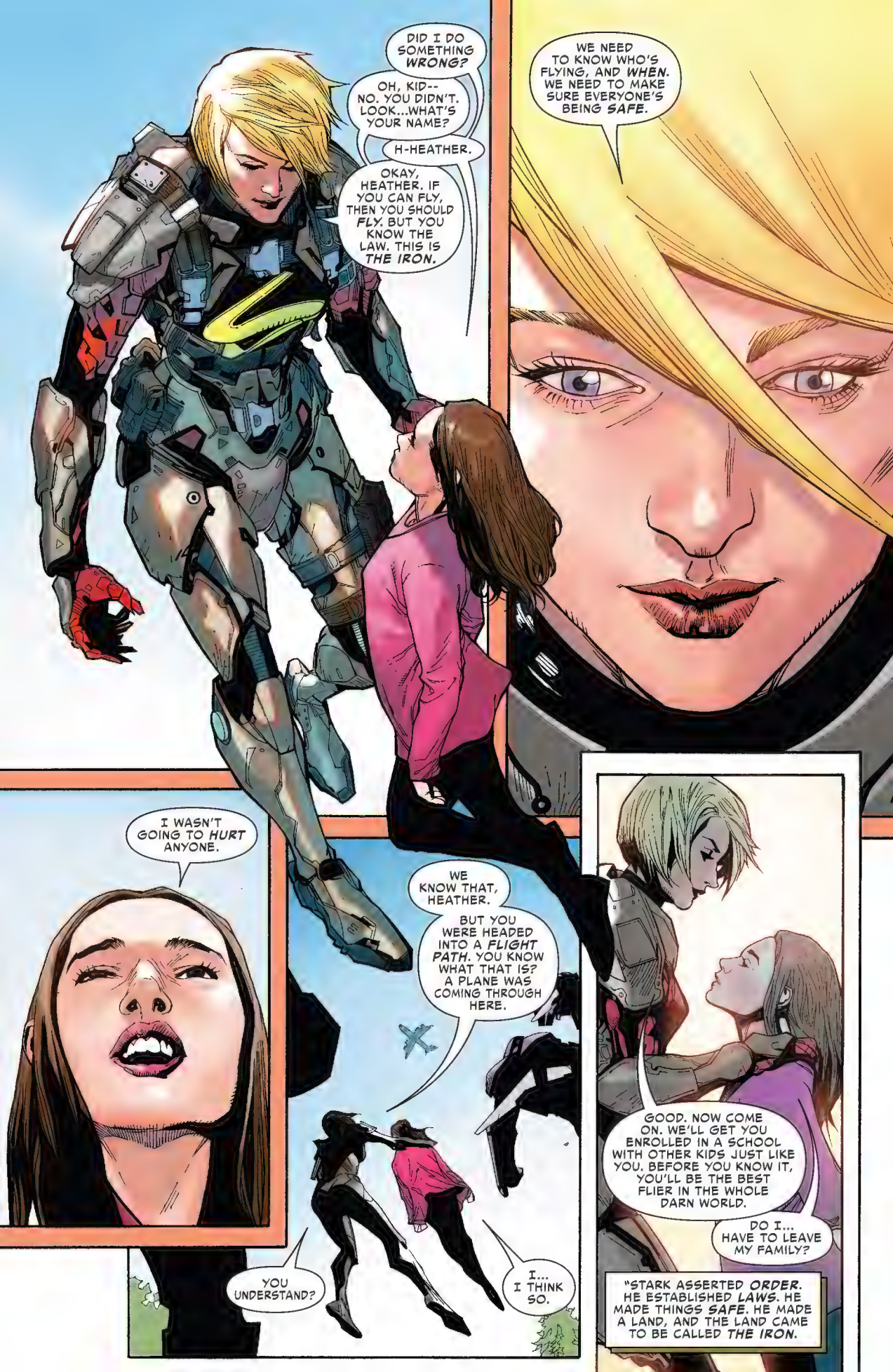
"THAT'S THE ONLY WAY WE COULD *UNDERSTAND* IT. ANYTHING ELSE WAS TOO *MONSTROUS* TO CONTEMPLATE.

"WE DIDN'T *KNOW* WHO HAD SHATTERED THE NATION DOWN THE MIDDLE. EACH SIDE BLAMED THE OTHER.

"AND SO WE ALL MADE THE DECISION FOR *OURSELVES*. WE ALL HAD TO ASK OURSELVES ONE QUESTION:

"'WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?'

"I DON'T THINK EITHER ONE OF THEM *WANTED* TO BE A KING, BUT IN THE END, THE PEOPLE PICKED THEIR LEADERS. THE ONE THEY IDENTIFIED WITH MOST, OR THE ONE THEY THOUGHT COULD *PROTECT THEM*.
"IRON MAN TOOK THE EAST.
THIS IS JUST...
STOP RIGHT THERE!
I--I DIDN'T--
HOW ABOUT YOU EASE UP ON THE SHOCK AND AWE, AGENT? SHE'S A *KID*.
OF COURSE, COLONEL DANVERS. MY APOLOGIES, MA'AM.
LET ME GUESS. FIRST TIME UP?
Y-YES. I WAS JUST WALKING, AND THEN I WAS... I WAS *FLYING!*
I KNOW HOW THAT IS. YOU'LL NEVER FORGET TODAY AS LONG AS YOU LIVE. TRUST ME.


DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?
OH, KID-- NO. YOU DIDN'T. LOOK...WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
H-HEATHER.
OKAY, HEATHER. IF YOU CAN FLY, THEN YOU SHOULD FLY. BUT YOU KNOW THE LAW. THIS IS THE IRON.
WE NEED TO KNOW WHO'S FLYING, AND WHEN. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE'S BEING SAFE.
I WASN'T GOING TO HURT ANYONE.
WE KNOW THAT, HEATHER.
BUT YOU WERE HEADED INTO A FLIGHT PATH. YOU KNOW WHAT THAT IS? A PLANE WAS COMING THROUGH HERE.
YOU UNDERSTAND?
I... I THINK SO.
GOOD. NOW COME ON. WE'LL GET YOU ENROLLED IN A SCHOOL WITH OTHER KIDS JUST LIKE YOU. BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, YOU'LL BE THE BEST FLIER IN THE WHOLE DARN WORLD.
DO I... HAVE TO LEAVE MY FAMILY?
"STARK ASSERTED ORDER. HE ESTABLISHED LAWS. HE MADE THINGS SAFE. HE MADE A LAND, AND THE LAND CAME TO BE CALLED THE IRON.

"CAPTAIN AMERICA TOOK THE WEST.
KRRRR-ACK
NICE.
HEY THERE.
WHOA.

NICE SHOT.
I WAS WALKING BY, HEARD THE NOISE, THOUGHT I'D CHECK IT OUT.
I'M CASSIE LANG. STATURE. WHO ARE YOU?
UH... JOHN.
...
ARE YOU GONNA TELL ON ME?
KID, THIS IS THE BLUE.
YOU WANT TO BLOW THINGS UP? BLOW 'EM UP. COOL POWER.
"OTHERWISE, SETTLEMENTS GOVERNED THEMSELVES. MOST LIVED IN PEACE AND HAPPINESS.
"CAPTAIN AMERICA MADE A LAND WITH ONLY TWO LAWS-- HURT NO ONE, AND HELP WHEN YOU CAN.
"BUT EVERYONE KNEW: ATTEMPT TO BREAK STEVE ROGERS' LAWS AND HIS AVENGERS WOULD COME. OR SUCCEED, AND WORSE-- HIS PUNISHERS.
"THIS WAS THE BLUE.
BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO USE IT, I SUGGEST YOU DO SOMETHING GOOD WITH IT.
YOU DON'T WANT THE PUNISHERS AFTER YOU.

NOW.
THE DIVIDE:

"THE BLUE AND THE IRON EACH EVOLVED, OVER THE YEARS.

"PEOPLE FOUND THEIR WAY EAST AND WEST, CHOOSING THE SOCIETY THAT SUITED THEM BEST.

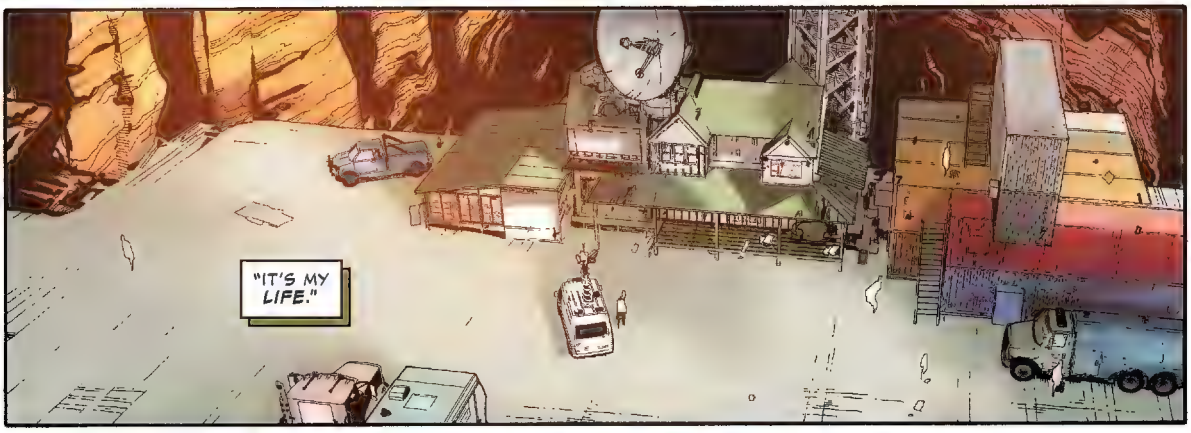
"THE BORDER SOLIDIFIED. IDEOLOGY BECAME *REALITY*.

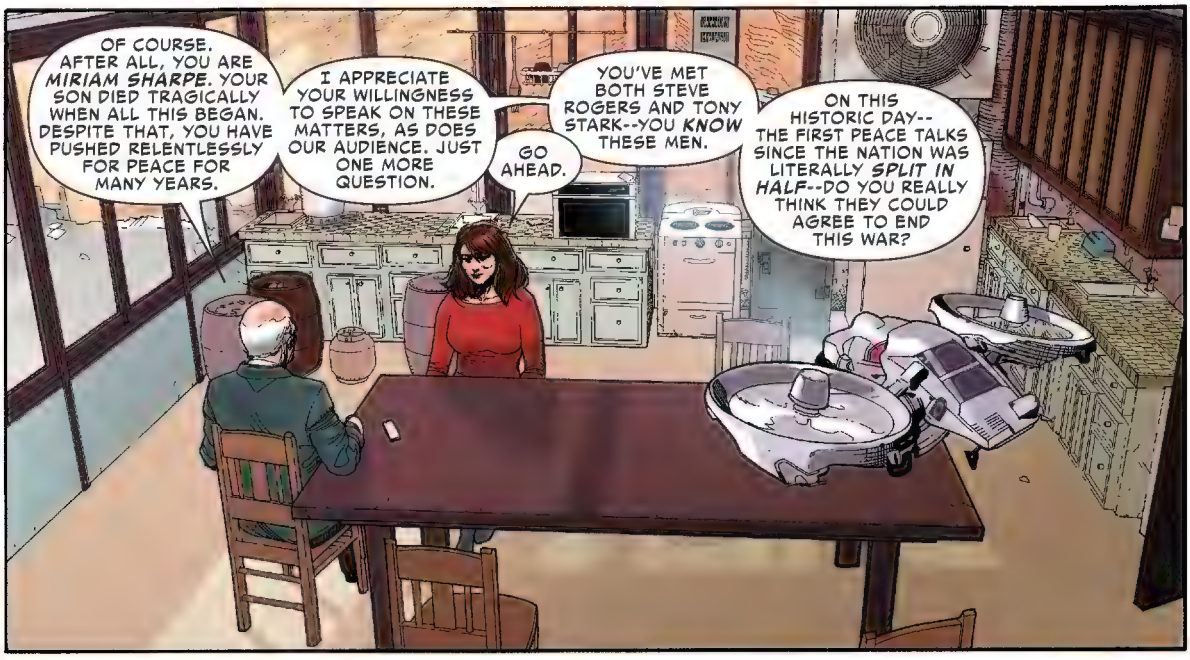
"I...I...

"I'M SORRY. I LOST MY *CHILD* WHEN ALL THIS STARTED.

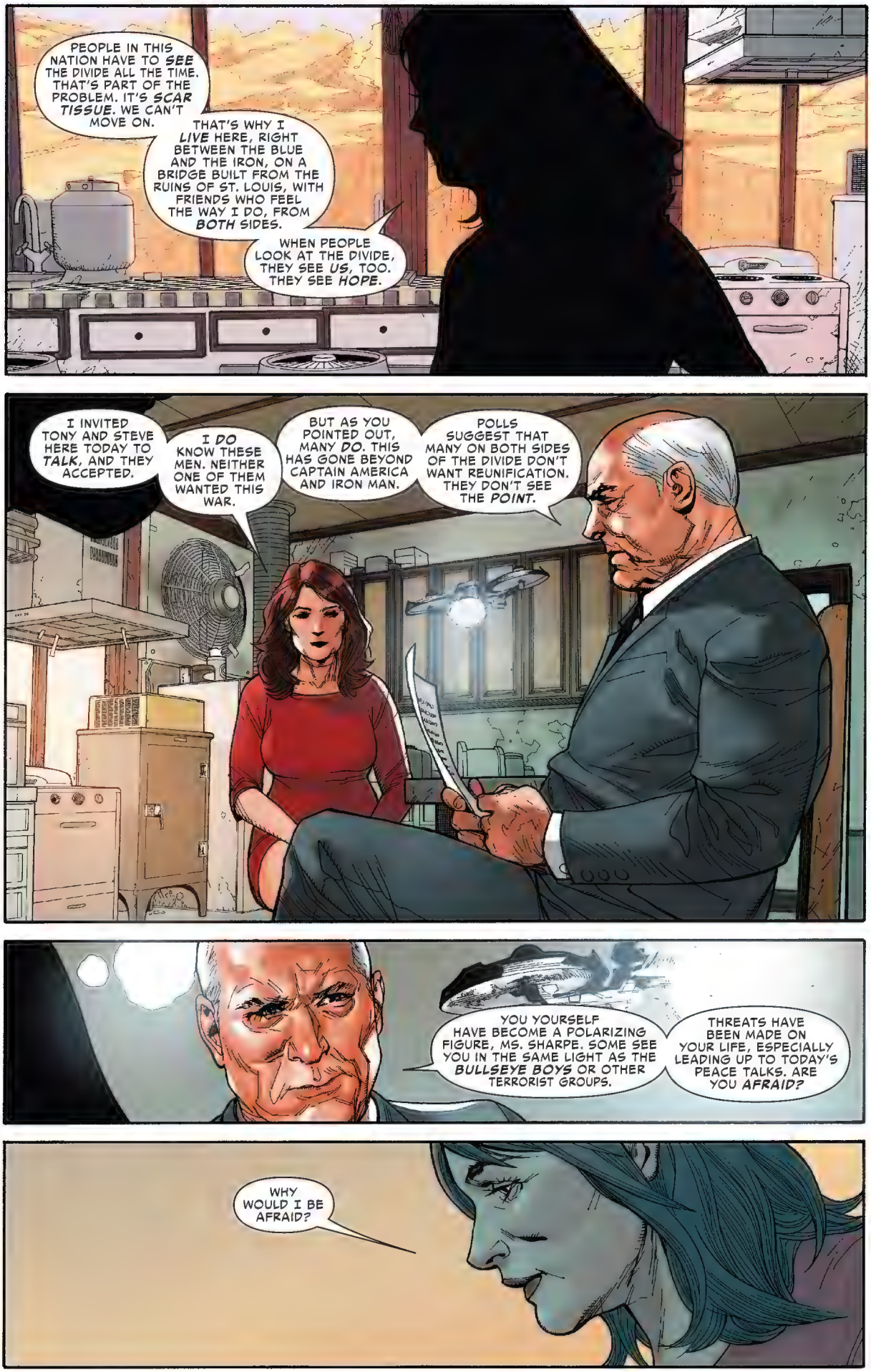
"I'M HAPPY TO TALK ABOUT IT-- I KNOW WHY MY PERSPECTIVE ON THESE EVENTS IS VALUABLE, ESPECIALLY *TODAY*, BUT...

"...IT'S NOT JUST *HISTORY* TO ME.


"IT'S MY *LIFE*."


OF COURSE. AFTER ALL, YOU ARE *MIRIAM SHARPE*. YOUR SON DIED TRAGICALLY WHEN ALL THIS BEGAN. DESPITE THAT, YOU HAVE PUSHED RELENTLESSLY FOR PEACE FOR MANY YEARS.
I APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SPEAK ON THESE MATTERS, AS DOES OUR AUDIENCE. JUST ONE MORE QUESTION.
GO AHEAD.
YOU'VE MET BOTH STEVE ROGERS AND TONY STARK--YOU *KNOW* THESE MEN.
ON THIS HISTORIC DAY--THE FIRST PEACE TALKS SINCE THE NATION WAS LITERALLY *SPLIT IN HALF*--DO YOU REALLY THINK THEY COULD AGREE TO END THIS WAR?

I DO.


PEOPLE IN THIS NATION HAVE TO SEE THE DIVIDE ALL THE TIME. THAT'S PART OF THE PROBLEM. IT'S SCAR TISSUE. WE CAN'T MOVE ON.
THAT'S WHY I LIVE HERE, RIGHT BETWEEN THE BLUE AND THE IRON, ON A BRIDGE BUILT FROM THE RUINS OF ST. LOUIS, WITH FRIENDS WHO FEEL THE WAY I DO, FROM BOTH SIDES.
WHEN PEOPLE LOOK AT THE DIVIDE, THEY SEE US, TOO. THEY SEE HOPE.
I INVITED TONY AND STEVE HERE TODAY TO TALK, AND THEY ACCEPTED.
I DO KNOW THESE MEN. NEITHER ONE OF THEM WANTED THIS WAR.
BUT AS YOU POINTED OUT, MANY DO. THIS HAS GONE BEYOND CAPTAIN AMERICA AND IRON MAN.
POLLS SUGGEST THAT MANY ON BOTH SIDES OF THE DIVIDE DON'T WANT REUNIFICATION. THEY DON'T SEE THE POINT.
YOU YOURSELF HAVE BECOME A POLARIZING FIGURE, MS. SHARPE. SOME SEE YOU IN THE SAME LIGHT AS THE BULLSEYE BOYS OR OTHER TERRORIST GROUPS.
THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE ON YOUR LIFE, ESPECIALLY LEADING UP TO TODAY'S PEACE TALKS. ARE YOU AFRAID?
WHY WOULD I BE AFRAID?

"I'LL BE WITH TWO OF THE GREATEST HEROES THE WORLD HAS EVER SEEN."

WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS, STEVE?
YOU SURE? BECAUSE IT SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE A PERFECTLY VIABLE PLAN B, AND THE IDEA OF MAKING NICE WITH *THAT* GUY JUST...
I HAVE TO *TRY*, PETER.
IF THESE TALKS FAIL, I'LL GO BACK TO THAT. BUT I DON'T *WANT* THEM TO FAIL.
IT'S NOT ABOUT TONY STARK. I KNOW WHAT HE'S DONE TO YOU, AND WHAT PEACE COULD MEAN FOR YOU, BUT IT'S *NOT ABOUT HIM*. OR YOU, OR ME.
"IT'S ABOUT EVERYONE *BUT* US."
YOU THINK HE'LL *LISTEN*, TONY?
...
IT'LL BE TOUGH. I MIGHT NEED A CONFIDENCE BOOST.
WELL, WHADDYA KNOW? FEELING MORE CONFIDENT BY THE SECOND.
IT'S TIME, I THINK. YOU MIGHT WANT TO CHANGE. YOU KNOW WHAT I ALWAYS SAY...
I KNOW, TONY.

DRESS TO IMPRESS.
SENSATIONAL.
SO I'M TOLD. DIDN'T YOU SAY IT WAS TIME TO GO?
YUP.
DO IT, TONY. MAKE THIS WORK.
WELL, JENNIFER, IF IT DOESN'T...
...SURE AS HELL WON'T BE MY FAULT.

HELLO, STEVE.
TONY.
THANK YOU BOTH FOR COMING HERE. THIS IS A WONDERFUL THING.
JENNIFER. IT'S SO GOOD TO SEE YOU. IT'S BEEN TOO LONG.
I COULDN'T AGREE MORE. I HOPE YOU'LL FORGIVE ME. IT'S BEEN A BUSY WAR.
OF COURSE. LET'S HOPE FORGIVENESS IS THE ORDER OF THE DAY, EH?
IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND WAITING JUST A MOMENT, MIRIAM. I WANTED TO SPEAK TO PETER.
JUST GO INSIDE, STARK. THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE A PEACE CONFERENCE. ME PUNCHING YOU IN YOUR SMUGLY FACE SEEMS LIKE IT MIGHT BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE.
EASY, PARKER.
COME ON, NOW. YOU KNOW THIS ISN'T HOW I WANT IT TO BE.
LOOK, A GESTURE OF GOOD FAITH.
OH... MY...

...MJ.
GO. FOR THE LENGTH OF THE TALKS, NO MATTER HOW THEY TURN OUT. BE TOGETHER.
THIS ISN'T A TRICK? YOUR GOONS WON'T ARREST ME THE MINUTE I--
PETER. COME ON.
NO.
STEVE? IF YOU NEED ME HERE, I--
GO, PETER.

THAT WAS KIND.
I'M NOT A MONSTER, STEVE. DESPITE WHAT YOUR PROPAGANDA MACHINE SAYS.
PLEASE. I THINK THAT IS AN EXCELLENT NOTE ON WHICH TO BEGIN.
JENNIFER, IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND--
I'LL WAIT OUT HERE, MIRIAM. NO PROBLEM. YOU AND I CAN CATCH UP AFTER. GOOD LUCK. ALL OF YOU.
REMEMBER WHEN IT WAS JUST PUNCHING KANG? AVENGERS ASSEMBLE?
I HAVE MUCH MORE TO AVENGE *NOW* THAN I EVER DID BACK THEN, STARK.
YEAH, WELL.
WHO DOESN'T?

OKAY. YOU'RE BOTH *HERE*. THAT'S A START. A HUGE STEP, REALLY.
I'M NOT NAIVE ENOUGH TO THINK YOU'VE BOTH SHOWED UP JUST BECAUSE YOU WANT TO BRING THE COUNTRY BACK TOGETHER. THAT'S A NOBLE GOAL, BUT WE LIVE IN A *VERY* COMPLEX WORLD.
SO. LET'S TALK ABOUT REUNIFICATION, BUT LET'S ALSO TALK ABOUT WHAT YOU EACH WANT IN *RETURN* FOR THAT.
TONY, YOU START.
I GET TO LAY MY CARDS ON THE TABLE FIRST, *EH?*
ALL RIGHT, FINE. IT'S PRETTY SIMPLE. WE NEED *SPACE*.
THE IRON'S POPULATION IS GROWING--AND YOU KNOW WHAT THE WORLD'S LIKE. THERE'S NOWHERE WE CAN GO, REALLY. NOWHERE MY PEOPLE *WANT* TO GO.
WHILE THE BLUE HAS *TWICE* THE AREA AND *HALF* THE PEOPLE. YOU WANT OUR *LAND*.
YOU'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET IT BY *STARVING US OUT*-- CUTTING OFF OUR ACCESS TO *RESOURCES*. FIGURE I'LL AGREE TO WHATEVER YOU WANT JUST SO MY PEOPLE CAN *EAT*.
WELL, IN THE IMMORTAL WORDS OF GENERAL ANTHONY MCAULIFFE, NUTS TO *THAT*.
YOU SEE THIS, STEVE? THE IRON IS *RECOGNIZED*. OF *COURSE* WE GET RESOURCES. WE'RE A LEGITIMATE TRADING PARTNER TO THE OTHER NATIONS IN THE WORLD.
WHILE YOU GUYS, THE BLUE...
...YOU'RE NOTHING BUT A *ROGUE STATE*.
WRONG. WE ARE A *FREE STATE*.

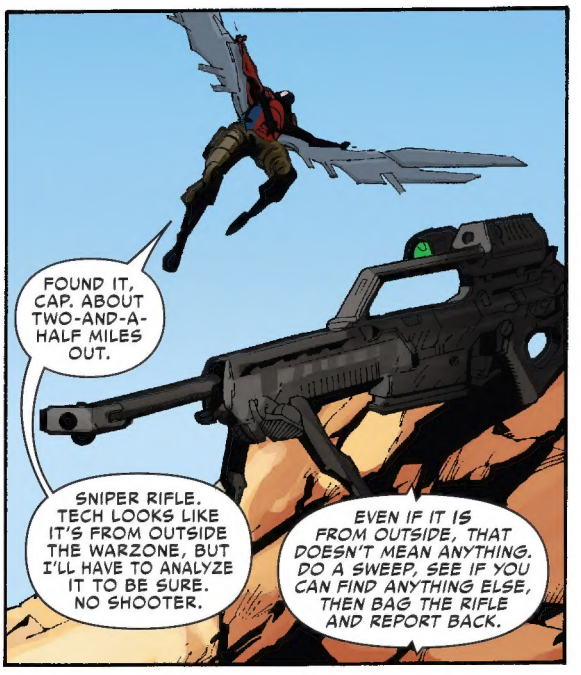
FREEDOM? FREEDOM IS NOT HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT SUPER VILLAINS BLASTING IN YOUR BEDROOM DOOR IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT.
FREEDOM IS NOT HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT THE COUNTRY FULL OF GUN-NUT MANIACS *RIGHT ON YOUR BORDER*. THAT'S WHAT *MY* PEOPLE WANT.
NOW WHO'S LISTENING TO THEIR OWN PROPAGANDA? THE BLUE IS *SAFE*.
FINE. WHATEVER. YOU HAVE LAND, AND WE NEED IT. I PROPOSE YOU CEDE A PORTION OF THE BLUE TO US IN RETURN FOR ACCESS TO THE RESOURCES WE GET FROM OUR TRADING PARTNERS.
YOUR PEOPLE IN *MY* LAND? IT WOULD NEVER WORK. WE BOUGHT THE BLUE WITH *BLOOD*, TONY, AND RELOCATING EVEN *ONE* OF MY FAMILIES TO MAKE ROOM FOR PEOPLE FROM THE IRON...I JUST CAN'T SEE IT.
DO YOU EVEN *WANT* THIS WAR TO END, STEVE? I DON'T THINK SO. AFTER ALL, WHAT HAPPENS TO A SOLDIER AFTER A WAR ENDS?
HE THANKS *GOD*, TONY, AND SPENDS THE REST OF HIS LIFE PRAYING HE NEVER SEES ANOTHER ONE.
YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHAT MOTIVATES ME, YOU *ARROGANT PEACOCK*.
OH, COME *ON*. YOU'RE NOT JUST A *GRUNT* ANYMORE, STEVE. YOU'RE A *GENERAL*, AND GENERALS JUSTIFY THEIR EXISTENCE THROUGH *WAR*.
I'M NOT THE ONE WHO NAMED A *COUNTRY* AFTER MYSELF, *IRON MAN*.
PLEASE-- WE'VE BARELY *STARTED*. I KNOW WE CAN WORK THIS OUT.
STEVE, TONY, *PLEASE*. JUST SIT BACK D--
KRK
OH. WELL.
ACK

MIRIAM!

THAT CAME FROM *WEST* OF THE DIVIDE, STEVE! *YOUR* SIDE!
I KNOW THAT, STARK. HELP MIRIAM. I'LL DEAL WITH THE SHOOTER. STAY AWAY FROM THE *WINDOWS.*

PETER. I NEED YOU.

WAS THAT A GUNSHOT, STEVE?!
YES. MIRIAM SHARPE WAS HIT.
PETE, I KNOW WHAT I'M ASKING YOU, AND I DON'T WANT TO TAKE YOU AWAY FROM YOUR FAMILY, BUT THE SHOT CAME FROM OUR SIDE. WE NEED TO KNOW WHO DID THIS.
YOU'RE THE FASTEST MAN I HAVE, AND YOUR SPIDER-SENSE...YOU CAN GET THERE. CATCH HIM.
PETER? WHAT'S HAPPENING?
I UNDERSTAND, STEVE. I'LL... I'LL GO.
PETER, NO...IT'S BEEN SIX YEARS. IS THIS...ALL WE GET?
DON'T GO, DADA!
I HAVE TO, MJ. I HAVE TO. TAKE MAYBELLE AND GO--GET SOMEWHERE SAFE, RIGHT NOW.
BUT LISTEN-- WE'RE WORKING ON SOMETHING. THIS COULD ALL BE OVER SOON.
I'LL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN.
K-CHAK
I SWEAR IT.


FOUND IT, CAP. ABOUT TWO-AND-A-HALF MILES OUT.
SNIPER RIFLE. TECH LOOKS LIKE IT'S FROM OUTSIDE THE WARZONE, BUT I'LL HAVE TO ANALYZE IT TO BE SURE. NO SHOOTER.
EVEN IF IT IS FROM OUTSIDE, THAT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING. DO A SWEEP, SEE IF YOU CAN FIND ANYTHING ELSE, THEN BAG THE RIFLE AND REPORT BACK.

MEDICS ARE ON THE WAY, TONY!
IT'S TOO LATE, JEN-- SHE'S DEAD.

DID YOU HEAR ME, ROGERS? MIRIAM SHARPE IS DEAD!

I HEARD YOU, TONY.

PARKER TELLS ME THE SHOT CAME FROM ROUGHLY TWO-AND-A-HALF MILES AWAY.
A HIGH-CALIBER ROUND FIRED FROM THAT DISTANCE WOULD TRAVEL FOR SIX OR SEVEN SECONDS TO THE TARGET.
SO? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, STEVE?
PUTTING ASIDE THE FACT THAT YOU AND I KNOW EXACTLY ONE PERSON WHO COULD HAVE MADE THAT SHOT, AND HE WORKS FOR YOU...
BULLSEYE DOESN'T WORK FOR--
...PUTTING THAT ASIDE, MIRIAM WASN'T STANDING UP WHEN THE SHOOTER FIRED.
THE SHOT HIT HER, STARK...
...BUT IT WAS AIMED AT ME.
GOODBYE, TONY. THE NEXT TIME I SPEAK TO YOU WILL BE TO ACCEPT YOUR SURRENDER.
STEVE, I HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS.
DOES IT MATTER?

MIRIAM?
DEAD.
SHOULD WE GET UNDER COVER? THERE COULD BE OTHER SHOOTERS.
NO. THEY ACCOMPLISHED WHAT THEY WANTED.
STARK WILL NEVER LET THIS WAR END.
SO WE'LL END IT FOR HIM.
TO BE CONTINUED.

CIVIL WAR

WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?

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